

Amendments to the Specification:

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Please replace paragraph [0077] in the specification with the following amended paragraph to correct a typographical error in the third sentence:

[0077] The following typical scenario demonstrates the functional context within the overall network. Three levels of stores support the network operation. Base level stores located at hub locations stock the full range of products. Terminal level stores located at departure locations stock a subset appropriate to the location and are dynamically augmented to fulfill specific customer orders. Vehicle level stores are a subset of Terminal level stores and are appropriate to a particular trip. They are also dynamically augmented to fulfill specific customer orders. Prior to departure the Inventory Client 19 is used in conjunction with inventory control software on the Inventory & Services Server 18 to move inventory from Base level stores to Terminal level stores and subsequently to create a vehicle package comprising standard Vehicle level stores plus pre-ordered product. Of course, the Inventory Client is also used in normal replenishment and for taking stock. Following the trip a reverse process returns unused product to inventory. The Inventory & Services Server provides database management of inventory at all stores levels. As a result of the pre-ordering via the Gate Kiosks or equivalent Internet software, customer records are generated that support the dynamic movement of inventory onto the vehicle. The Inventory & Services Server also provides database management of customer records generated on the ground and those reported from the vehicle. Prior to departure the vehicle requests that relevant customer records be transferred for local management. These databases support offline analysis to predict buying patterns and determine both the range of products and procurement strategies.

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Please place paragraph [0083] with the following amendment paragraph to correct a typographical error in the third sentence of the paragraph: